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Amendments to the specification: Please amend the specification as indicated below.

[0062] Furthermore - as already explained above - the corresponding gateway module  $20\ a$  (especially the TDM/PCM switching matrix access module  $23\ a$  provided there) looks after the transmission of the data to, or the receipt of the data from, the TDM/PCM switching matrix network (e.g. - via the line  $9\ b$  - over the internal Intranet data network B, or - for example via the line  $9\ a$  - over the external telephone network). (By contrast an interface device 24 provided at the gatekeeper module  $20\ b\ 21$  takes care - as required - of either TDM/PCM or H.225/H.245 protocol-based data transmission (e.g. -- via the line  $9\ b$  - via the internal Intranet data network B, or - for example via the line  $19\ a$  - externally over the Internet)).